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DRAFT MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Thursday, December 4, 2008, at 8:10 a.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 110.

Committee members present: Cassis (C), Gilbert (Maj. VC), McManus, Jansen, Prusi (Min. VC), and Jacobs.

Committee members excused: Whitmer

Senator Cassis motioned without objection to excuse Senator Whitmer for the day.

Senator Cassis gave opening remarks regarding the order of business:

- SB1020 Sen. Hunter - Business tax; other; credits for contributions to individual or family development accounts; allow.
- SB1567 Sen. Pappageorge - Business tax; other; limitations on brownfield tax credits for large projects; revise.
- HB5437 Rep. Tobocman - Property tax; exemptions; exemption for nonprofit senior citizen and disabled person housing; revise.
- HB6090 Rep. Spade - Income tax; checkoff; foster care trust fund; provide check-off option.
- HB6492 Rep. Hune - Education; financing; supportive housing property; exempt from operating millage.
- HB6493 Rep. Stakoe - Housing; affordable; certification of supportive housing property; provide for.

Bob Kefgen, Legislative Aide to Representative Spade, bill sponsor of HB6090, gave brief statements explaining the bill. Mr. Kefgen then answered questions from committee members.

Larry Steckelberg representing the Michigan Department of Treasury submitted a testimony card in support of HB6090 but did not wish to speak.

Senator Jansen moved, and Senator McManus seconded, that the committee report HB6090 with favorable recommendation and Immediate Effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Lisa Nuskowski, Legislative Aide to Representative Tobocman, bill sponsor of HB5437, gave brief statements explaining the bill. Ms. Nuskowski then answered questions from committee members.

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Peggy Frankie representing the Liberty Hill Housing Corporation gave verbal testimony in support of HB5437, 6492, and 6493. Ms. Frankie then answered questions from committee members.

Kevin Wiedelman representing St. James Capital, LLC gave both verbal and written testimony in support of HB5437, 6492, and 6493. Mr. Wiedelman then answered questions from committee members.

Alicia Quintero representing the Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (CEDAM) gave verbal testimony in support of HB5437, 6492, and 6493. Ms. Quintero then answered questions from committee members.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the bill package HB5437, 6492, and 6493 but did not wish to speak:

Dohn Hoyle representing the Arc of Michigan

Gary Heidel representing the Michigan State Housing Development Authority

Larry Steckelberg representing the Michigan Department of Treasury

Senator Jansen moved, and Senator Gilbert seconded, that the committee report HB5437 with favorable recommendation and Immediate Effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Senator Gilbert moved, and Senator Jansen seconded, that the committee report HB6492 with favorable recommendation and Immediate Effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Senator Jansen moved, and Senator Jacobs seconded, that the committee adopt amendment #1 to HB6493.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Senator Jansen moved, and Senator McManus seconded, that the committee report HB6493 as amended as a clean substitute S-1 with favorable recommendation and Immediate Effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Jim Smock and Marcia Hune representing the Michigan Credit Union League gave brief statements explaining SB1020 on behalf of Senator Hunter, bill sponsor of SB1020. Mr. Smock and Mrs. Hune then answered questions from committee members.

Ross Yednock representing the Community Economic Development Association of MI submitted written testimony in support of SB1020 but did not wish to speak.

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The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of SB1020 but did not wish to speak:

Gary Heidel representing the Michigan State Housing Development Authority

Larry Steckelberg representing the Michigan Department of Treasury

Don Jones representing the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (written testimony also)

Senator Prusi moved, and Senator Jansen seconded, that the committee report SB1020 with favorable recommendation and Immediate Effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Senator Pappageorge, bill sponsor of SB1567, gave brief statements explaining the bill. Senator Pappageorge then answered questions from committee members.

Hunter Richardson representing the Pavilions of Troy gave verbal testimony in support of SB1567. Mr. Richardson then answered questions from committee members.

Paul Bohn and Rick Rattner representing the Pavilions of Troy submitted testimony cards in support of SB1567 but did not wish to speak.

Senator Jansen moved, and Senator McManus seconded, that the committee adopt substitute S-1 to SB1567.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Jacobs

Nays: None

Pass: Prusi

The motion prevailed

Senator Jansen moved, and Senator McManus seconded, that the committee adopt amendment #1 to SB1567 S-1.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Prusi, Jacobs

Nays: None

The motion prevailed

Senator Gilbert moved, and Senator McManus seconded, that the committee report SB1567 S-1 as amended as a clean substitute S-2 with favorable recommendation and Immediate Effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, McManus, Jansen, Jacobs

Nays: None

Pass: Prusi

The motion prevailed

Senator Cassis adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Clerk

Chairperson

Date approved by the Committee